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LETTER OF DEFICIENCY# WSEB 02-20CERTIFIED MAIL 7099 3400 0002 9772 1848

Subject: Ossipee - Public Water System: Poland Brook Woods (EPA# 1842050)

Dear Mr. Streeter

The records of the Department of Environmental Services (DES) show that the Poland Brook Woods water system is classified as a public water system (PWS), as defined by RSA 485:1-a. A PWS is defined as any water system supplying 15 or more services, or 25 or more people, for 60 or more days per year. As such, the water system owner is required to submit bacteria samples to the State laboratory or a State-certified laboratory for coliform bacteria analysis in compliance with NH Admin. Rule Env-Ws 325.

DES records show that the subject water system failed to submit bacteria samples and as a result Monitoring/Reporting (M/R) violations were issued for the following months:

February 2002 and March 2002

In view of the Monitoring/Reporting violations, DES believes the deficiencies can be corrected by taking the following actions:

By May 31, 2002, submit a water sample for bacteria analysis to the state laboratory, or a state-certified laboratory, in accordance with NH Admin. Rule Env-Ws 325; and

In the future, submit routine water samples monthly for bacteria analysis

Pursuant to Env-Ws 351, owners of public water systems are required to issue public notification when a system has failed to monitor for bacteriological water quality. DES records show that the water system failed to do public notification for the following months:

February 2002 and March 2002

In view of the public notice violations, DES believes the deficiency can be corrected by taking the following actions:

By May 21, 2002, carry out public notice requirements for the violations listed above; and

By May 31, 2002, provide proof of public notice to DES.



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In the event compliance is not achieved within this period, DES may take further enforcement action, including issuing an order requiring the deficiencies be corrected, initiating an administrative fine proceeding and/or referring the matter to the NH Department of Justice for imposition of appropriate penalties.

Please contact Alan Leach by phone at (603) 271-2854 or by e-mail at aleach@des.state.nh.us, if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Anthony P. Giunta, P.G., Administrator Water Supply Engineering Bureau

cc: VGretchen Rule, DES Legal Unit
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Barbara Bierweiler, Owner's Representative

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